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EIGHT HARDY PERENNIALS, 25 CTS.

**A Rare Bargain Offer for November.
Don't Let It Pass Unheeded.**

I OFFER THIS MONTH eight beautiful, easily-grown perennials that should be in every garden, and now is the time to plant them. All are hardy, tenacious and beautiful. Once planted they will take care of themselves. They are as follows:

Lilium Tigrinum Splendens.—Among Lilies none is more graceful and showy than this superb improved variety of the old Tiger Lily. It attains the height of five feet, and a clump becomes a perfect mass of the graceful bells during the summer. It will grow in any situation, and improves with age. It is one of the choicest of herbaceous perennials, and always pleases. I offer a fine, large, blooming bulb. Price 10 cts.

Hyacinthus Candicans.—This is the Giant Summer-blooming Hyacinth, represented in the engraving. The stalk grows four feet high, and bears pure white, drooping bells during the summer months. Planted six inches apart in a bed or group it makes a fine show, and is also fine for planting among low shrubbery to yield flowers after the shrubs have bloomed. A fine, large bulb, 10 cents.

Iris Florentina Purpurea.—One of the most beautiful of the Iris family. The plants are strong, well rooted, and throw up lovely sword-shaped foliage, surmounted in May with clusters of very large, fragrant, rich purple flowers. The scape is about 15 inches high, and keeps in bloom for many days. As a flower hedge or garden clump it is unsurpassed, and for the margin of a stream or pond it is very effective. Price 10 cents.

Iris Germanica Azurea.—This is a lovely Iris. The plants grow a foot high, bearing in great abundance and for a prolonged period beautiful and showy light blue flowers. It is perfectly hardy, and makes a gorgeous bed. Price 10 cents.



IRIS.

Funkia Undulata Variegata.—As a variegated spring and summer edging this fine, hardy Day Lily is charming. The foliage is dense, handsomely undulated and distinctly striped white upon a green back-ground.

Its flowers are exquisite violet bells hung upon a scape 18 inches high. This is a choice perennial, and should be in every garden. Price 10 cents.

Hemerocallis Dumortieri.—This splendid Japanese plant is known as Dumortier's Day Lily. It is the earliest to bloom of the Day Lilies, and the most graceful. The foliage is strap-like, arching, and is an exquisite back-ground for the bold array of golden, fragrant flowers that the plant bears. It grows a foot high, and makes a lovely clump or hedge-row or border. Price 10 cents.

Hemerocallis Flava.—This is popularly known as Lemon Lily, and also as Yellow Tuberose. It blooms after Dumortier's Lily, and the stems are taller and the clusters more open. The flowers are a rich lemon-yellow, deliciously scented, and very beautiful. It makes a fine show in the garden as a perennial border. This is one of the best of the Day Lilies. Price 10 cents.

Hemerocallis Thunbergi.—Thunberg's Day Lily, as it is generally called, is a variety of the Lemon Lily, but is taller and blooms after the Lemon Lily has faded. Choice hardy perennial, growing four ft. high, bearing in abundance its golden flowers. It should be in every perennial border. Price 10 cents.



GIANT SUMMER HYACINTH.

MY FRIENDS, I have a surplus of all of these Lilies and plants, and I offer them this month at a nominal sum—the eight choice bulbs and plants for ONLY TWENTY-FIVE CENTS. I may never be able to duplicate this offer, and I trust you will all avail yourselves of it. It will be good only for this month, November. If not satisfied when received return the package and I will return your money. If you have any of the plants your neighbor may take them of you, or I will send a substitute. But do not delay.

GEO. W. PARK, LaPark, Pa.

P. S.—Get a neighbor to club with you, enclosing 50 cts. for two lots, and I'll add the beautiful Bleeding Heart (*Dicentra spectabilis*) for the favor.



DAY LILY.

BARGAINS IN CHOICE HYACINTHS.

Hyacinths are among the earliest and most beautiful of hardy spring flowers, and to favor my friends I have secured and imported from Holland, where the best bulbs are grown, three collections, embracing the most beautiful and desirable varieties in cultivation. These are all fine, selected, blooming-sized bulbs, carefully grown, and will be sure to give satisfaction. They are suitable for either house or garden, and full directions for culture will accompany every package. These Hyacinths, potted now, will bloom handsomely in the window in winter, or they may be bedded out at once for spring blooming, as they are entirely hardy.



Collection No. 1—10 Bulbs 30 Cts.

Light Pink, Baron Van Thuyll, bears elegant spikes of waxy bluish bells in fine spikes.

Deep Pink Gertrude, compact trusses of splendid bells; very pretty.

Scarlet, Roi des Belges, large spikes, rich and graceful; splendid.

Pure White, Alba Superbissima, large bells, immense compact spike; one of the best.

Blush White, Grandeur a Merveille, waxy bells, handsome spike; very fine.

Dark Blue Marie, large trusses, well-shaped bells of fine effect.

Lavender Blue La Peyrouse, fine spikes of elegant bells; exceedingly handsome.

Light Blue Queen of the Blues, huge, broad, erect spikes; fine bells.

Orange Yellow-Herman, lovely bells gracefully set; attractive color; long truss.

Tinted White, Paix del Europe, long truss; large drooping bells; one of the best.

Collection No. 2—10 Bulbs 30 Cts.

Deep Red, Robert Steiger, fine compact truss, graceful bells; showy.

Pink, Gigantea, closely-set waxy bells; large, handsome truss; extra fine.

Blush Norma, light, graceful bells; fine truss; beautiful.

Pure White, L'Innocence, elegant bells; large, showy truss; fine.

Cream White, Baroness Van Thuyll, charming large spikes; bells show a primrose eye.

Tinted White, Mr. Plimsoll, waxy white, showy bells; fine spikes.

Deep Blue, King of the Blues, rich blue very fine bells and spikes.

Dark Porcelain, Grand Matre, erect, handsome truss; large, showy bells.

Lilac Haydn, very fine spike and very charming drooping flowers.

Bright Yellow, Ida, distinct in color; elegant bells; full compact spikes.

Send 60 cents for two of the above Hyacinth collections, or send 60 cents for both collections, and I will add two double Hyacinths as a premium. All are healthy, hardy, and sure to do well in either house or garden. For large beds I will supply these fine Hyacinths, by mail or express, equal quantities of each variety, at \$2.50 per hundred, prepaid. A hundred bulbs will make a bed that will be the envy of your neighbors when in bloom in the spring, and will make a fine show every season for several years.

Double Hyacinths.—The Double Hyacinths are not so handsome or desirable as the single varieties, either for in-door or out-door culture, but I offer a collection of the finest sorts in four colors, as follows:

Collection No. 3—4 Bulbs 15 Cts.

Bright Rose-pink, Noble par Merite, double, very handsome bells; compact truss.

Pure White, La Tour d'Auvergne, fine double flowers; heavy truss; a choice, elegant sort.

Bright Blue, Charles Dickens, grand compact spike; graceful bells; one of the finest varieties.

Fine Yellow, Goethe, excellent truss; lovely, graceful bells; rosy salmon, pinkish shading; attractive.

I will supply single named Hyacinths separately at 3 cents each or 35 cents per doz. and double sorts at 5 cents each or 45 cents per doz. my choice.

AS A PREMIUM, I will mail you one Double Hyacinth for every additional order you send for the above 30c. collections of Hyacinths; thus for a club of two (60 cents) I will mail one Double Hyacinth, your selection; for a club of four (\$1.20) four Double Hyacinths, etc. See friends and get up a club.

LARGE BULBS.—For 50 cents I will send larger bulbs of either of the above 30-cent collections. These are such bulbs as are mostly retailed at 12 cents each. These larger bulbs are preferable where the largest and showiest spikes of bloom are desired. I can also supply the Double Hyacinths in the larger size, the four bulbs at 25 cents. Address all orders to

GEO. W. PARK, La Park, Lanc. Co., Pa.

Beautiful Named Tulips.



Agnes, flaming vermillion scarlet.
Duke of York, variegated red and white.
Lady Palmerston, large, charming light rose.
Rose Blanche, immense flowers; pure white.
Scarlet King, bright red, very showy.

This list embraces all the colors in Double Early and Parrot Tulips. They bloom later than the preceding, but are equally showy and beautiful. For beds I will supply the bulbs by express, not prepaid at \$1.10 per hundred, equal quantities of each variety. By mail, prepaid, 25 cents per hundred extra. Set the double Tulips in the centre; the Parrot's use as a margin.

Collection C—Late and Botanical Tulips, 10 Bulbs 15 Cents.

Blue Flag, double, late, fine purplish blue.
Overwinner, double, late, violet and white, striped
Marriage de Ma Fille, double, late, red and white
Peony Red, double, late, dark red, large, showy.
Prince de Galitzien, double, late, yellow.

Florentina odorata, single, fragrant, yellow.
Gesneriana, tall, scarlet, black centre.
Picotee, single, late, white, edged pink.
Golden Crown, late, yellow, edged red.
Macrospila, single, late, deep pink.

The above are late and very late Tulips of great beauty. They are splendid in groups or beds, and elicit high praise. They are generally sold at fancy prices, being rare. I offer the collection of ten bulbs for 15 cents by mail; or by the hundred, equal quantities of each, at \$1.10, delivered at express office here, not prepaid. By mail, prepaid, 25 cents per hundred extra.

Collection D—Darwin Tulips, 10 Bulbs 20 Cents.

These New Tulips are noted for their rare and beautiful colors, and gaudy appearance. I offer bulbs of a very superior strain, and in the very finest named sorts. The colors are as follows:

Darwin white.	Darwin black.	Darwin bronze.	Darwin pink.	Darwin scarlet.
Deep Blue.	Light Blue.	Crimson.	Flesh-color.	Bouten d'Or, yellow.

The Darwin Tulips originated in Belgium under the care of Louis Van Houtte. These I offer as an improvement of the original, effected by Krelage, in Holland. The plants grow two feet high, bloom in May and June, show flowers of enormous size and great substance, and of vivid and distinct self colors; hardy, will grow most anywhere, and last for years. Yellow is not found in Darwin Tulips, and I add the handsome tall botanical Tulip, Bouten d' Or, to complete the list of colors. The ten bulbs, 20 cts by mail; 100 bulbs by express not prepaid \$1.80. By mail, prepaid, 25 cts. per hundred extra.

Collection E—Giant or Tree Tulips, 2 Bulbs 15 Cents.

These grow upwards of two feet high, branching like a tree, and bearing an immense flower at the tip of each branch. They bloom very late in the season, mostly in May or June, and are exceedingly showy in a group, or even in single specimens.

Tree Tulip , violet, striped white, of robust growth, each plant bearing several flowers, cup-shaped, and of great substance. 8 cts. per bulb.	Tree Tulip , scarlet with blue centre; vigorous, often two feet high, mostly branching; bearing large, showy flowers. 8 cts. per bulb.
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These Tree Tulips are hybrids from species found in Asia Minor. They require a deep, rich soil to develop perfectly, but are hardy, and may be regarded as of easy culture.

I offer collections embracing all of the best Tulips known. The bulbs are first size, and sure to make a gorgeous display either in house or garden. I recommend Tulips, especially for planting out, however, as they are subject to insects when grown in the house. Out-doors they are entirely hardy, have no enemies, and a group or bed of them is glorious in early spring.

Collection A—Single Early Tulips.

10 Bulbs 15 Cents.

Bizard Pronkert , scarlet, striped yellow.	L'Immaculee , charming pure white; very fine.
Chrysolora , large, golden yellow, very fine.	Marie Stuart , very handsome rose.
Cottage Maid , very rich rose, striped white; splendid.	Marquis de Westrade , yellow, striped red.
Couleur Ponceau , beautiful cherry red.	Moucheron , scarlet, very rich and showy.
Crimson King , large, bright crimson.	Pigeon , white, distinct and beautiful.

The above collection embraces all colors, and if bedded together, when in bloom they will make a grand display. In a large bed they are gorgeous. For planting in quantity I will deliver the bulbs at express office here, not prepaid for \$1.10 per hundred; \$10.00 per thousand. Mailed, prepaid for 25 cents per hundred extra. Planting and cultural directions free.

Collection B—Double and Parrot Tulips.

10 Bulbs 15 Cents.

Titian, scarlet, with broad gold margin.
Yellow Rose, pure yellow, very double.
Admiral de Constantino, Parrot; red.
Lutea Major, Parrot, fine yellow.
Perfecta, Parrot, yellow and red.

SPECIAL OFFER: I will mail the above described collections of Tulips, 42 bulbs in all, also a 10-bulb collection of the hardy, Orchid-flowering Iris, for 75 cents. Or, get up a club for five 15-cent Tulip collections (75 cents) and I will add any Tulip collection you may select, and include the 10-bulb Iris collection, for your trouble. The bulbs are all of large size, and could not be purchased singly at less than from 3 to 10 cents each. Cultural directions go with every package. Orders promptly filled. See your neighbors and send in a big order.

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For the benefit of the sick and suffering I wish to make the following statement:

"I had been afflicted with catarrh of the stomach and bowels and general debility, bordering on paralysis, for the past fifteen years. For two years I lived altogether on fresh fish and dry bread and milk. After a while I had to quit fish, and for three months I lived on toasted bread and milk, and kept getting worse until I had to quit work, having no strength left. Myself and friends thought that my time in this world was short, having all this time been in the hands of at least twelve doctors, some noted specialists, and the doctors all diagnosed my case as catarrh of the bowels and stomach. After I had given up all hope of getting well again, a friend of mine who had taken Dr. Thacher's Treatment advised me to consult the doctor. I wrote him and he advised me. I made up my mind to make one more effort and give him a trial, and the result was that today I am as well and sound as I ever was, am attending to my business, which requires from sixteen to twenty hours a day. I eat everything that is set before me, having perfect digestion, and I think Dr. Thacher's treatment is a blessing to suffering humanity, and would advise persons with chronic diseases to consult him, as I honestly believe he can do for others what he has done for me.

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The highways are carpeted
With leaves where we tread;
Short are the days and gloomy
The skies overhead.
The flowers are all dying,
For summer has fled.

Norfolk Co., Mass. Lucretia Banks Zastre.

WHITE ROMAN HYACINTH.

THE WHITE ROMAN HYACINTH is one of the easiest to grow in pots of soil and glasses of water. The bulbs are not large, but smooth and solid, and every one will produce from two to five trusses of bloom. The flowers are single, open, with a long, narrow tube, droop gracefully from the scape, and are of pure, waxy white color. After you pot the bulbs or place in glasses of water set away in a dark, rather cool closet till roots form, which will be in from four to six weeks, then bring gradually to the light. Avoid too much heat, and keep the air moist. Place in sunshine to develop the flowers, but keep in shade and in a cool place after the flowers open, to prolong their period of bloom. After blooming remove the stems. Those in water can be potted, if you wish to preserve them, and with the other potted ones they can be kept watered till their growth is completed. In spring bed them out in a sunny exposure, setting four or five inches below the surface, and let Nature care for them till fall, when they may be repotted. If wanted for outdoor blooming the next year, keep the bulbs in the soil in the cellar without watering, till late in autumn, then bed them out where you wish them to bloom.

CROCUSES AND TULIPS.

A CONTRIBUTOR from Iowa reports her experience with these bulbous flowers as follows:

Looking out at my window one dismal Sabbath last March I saw the first bright blossom of the year, bravely lifting its face upward to the sun. It was a yellow Crocus—the “Golden King,” of Park’s collection, and it brightened the whole day for us. It was followed by the others in blue, white, purple and striped. Every day I went out to see how many were out, and each time was more than paid for the small sum invested for the bulbs. This year I am buying a hundred.

By the time they were through blooming the Early Tulips had begun, and for a month or more there was a delightful surprise almost every day, as a new one would come out.

Not knowing just what kinds I wanted, I bought several of each of the collections, except the Tree Tulips, and I wish now I had gotten them too. I planted more than a hundred bulbs in a large circular bed, all kinds together, Early and Late, Single and Double, Parrot, Darwin and all, and while I enjoyed every one that came out, I learned by experience what I had read before, that for a real showy bed, for the admiration of the general public, one variety or class would be better—for instance, all early or all late ones. So, I am buying more this fall, and shall have them in separate beds, or at least early and late in alternate rows, and planted closely enough that there will not be too much space between.

Nothing could be more gorgeous than a fine bed of Tulips, and for myself, I prefer the single ones. There are many magnificent colors and forms of early ones, but if one excels another in my favor, I especially like Picotee, a fine Late Tulip, waxy white, edged with pink. It is of heavier texture than many others, and borne on long stems, and would be fine for cutting for the table, if one could bear to cut so fine a flower and thus shorten its life. Golden Crown is another of the same class of Tulips, and is a bright yellow with a red border around

the petals. I shall not be satisfied until I have a large bed of these two in alternate rows, or some design. I am sure nothing could be more beautiful.
Fairfield, Iowa, Oct. 17, 1908. Margaret Flindt.



WHITE ROMAN HYACINTH.
Drawn from a photograph sent by Mrs. Trumbull, N. Y.

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THE EDITOR invites correspondence with all who love and cultivate flowers.

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The Weeping Palm.—*Pritchardia filamentosa* is known by this name sometimes. The plant does well in a mixture of rotted sods, leaf-mould, sand and manure well mixed and well drained. Keep in a frost-proof room, watering rather sparingly in winter. In the spring repot into a pot a size larger, and place inside a still larger pot, inserting sphagnum moss between and around the plant. This will prevent evaporation. Keep on the piazza, where it will be protected from wind and mid-day sun, and water liberally. Thus treated the plant will make a good growth and the leaves will not die at the tips, as they often do under less care.

About Dahlias.—In many sections Dahlias are not satisfactory because they make a strong growth of stem and foliage, and produce a scanty supply of flowers. This is due to a surplus of nitrogen in the soil. A sandy soil fertilized with bone-dust or phosphate generally affords satisfactory results. Avoid guano and ammonical fertilizers. A soggy or sour soil will cause the buds to develop imperfectly or perhaps drop before developing. This can be overcome by stirring quick lime into the soil about the plants.

Begonia Feasti.—This is a winter-bloomer, and likes a moist, shady situation, with light, porous soil, well drained, and rather freely watered. If grown in a wet place, or if the soil becomes soggy, the plant is liable to rot off at the root.

AGAPANTHUS.

THE Agapanthus Lily does not bloom well until it is root-bound, and after dividing a large plant or repotting it requires some time for it to develop buds and flowers. It is better to grow this plant in a tub, for its root-growth is sometimes so vigorous that an earthen vessel is bursted by the roots. During the growing season the plant is fond of water, and you are not likely to give it too much water. In the latitude of Washington the plant is hardy with protection, and further south it could be used as a permanent lawn plant without protection.



AGAPANTHUS LILY.

Blooming of Bulbs.—The White Roman Hyacinths may be brought into bloom in two months after they are potted. The same is true of the Paper White and Double Roman Narcissus. Dutch Hyacinths and Tulips bedded out in October or November will begin to bloom in March or April, according to the latitude in which they are grown. Freesias and Easter Lilies potted in October will begin to bloom in March. The Dutch Hyacinths do well potted for winter blooming, but it is better to grow Tulips in the garden, as they are rarely satisfactory for amateur forcing.

Keeping Cannas.—If you have choice Cannas you wish to keep over just pot them firmly in large pots and keep them with your other plants, watering occasionally as the soil dries. They need not have so much light or heat as growing plants. If you have a good frost-proof, well ventilated cellar, however, you can dig the clumps when the soil is wet, allowing that about the clump to adhere, then dry well and store on swinging shelves in the cellar.

Topping Rubber.—When the Rubber Tree has served its usefulness as a single-stemmed plant cut it almost to the ground, and let a new sprout start up to take the place of the one cut away. Or, cut the top off a foot or more from the surface and encourage the development of several shoots, thus forming a tree-like head. This work may be done either in fall or spring.

Butterfly Flower.—The *Schizanthus*, known as Butterfly Flower, is easily grown in pots for winter blooming. Start the plants from seeds in August, and pot several plants in a five-inch pot. They will soon make a handsome group and will be covered with fairy bloom during winter. The large-flowered hybrids are the most desirable sorts for this purpose.

A FERN BED.

THIS should be prepared in a shady spot, at the north side of a house or tree, placing a layer of stones upon the surface and covering this with woods earth well mixed with sand. By going to the woods



Clump of Ferns.

you can readily select suitable ferns and transfer them to the bed. If you wish to set potted plants of Fuchsias or other flowers among the Ferns during summer the Fern-clumps should stand a foot or more apart. Such a bed requires but little care

after the hardy Ferns are once established. Simply see that the soil is kept moist during a season of drought. At other times hardly any attention will be needed.

Cyclamen.—These are, by florists, mostly started from seeds during the autumn, and kept growing in the greenhouse during the winter. In the spring they are transferred to cold frames, where they are kept till autumn, when they are again given space in the greenhouse, and soon begin to bloom. The little plants are, by amateurs, often bedded out in a partial shade during the summer, then potted in autumn for winter blooming. The florist, however, shifts the plants as they grow. Success will attend either method. A rich, porous soil, good drainage and regular water supplies must always be provided. Liquid fertilizers are occasionally beneficially applied.

Plumbago Clusters.—Remove the clusters of Plumbago as soon as the flowers fade, taking with them a portion of the branch, unless buds are showing upon it. This will encourage development of other parts and other clusters. This method of pruning is the same as that recommended for pruning everblooming Roses in summer, and pot Roses in winter. It insures a continuous development and display of buds and flowers.

Gloxinias.—Gloxinias like a moist, rather warm atmosphere and partial shade. If grown in porous, fibrous soil with good drainage, under these conditions, they hardly ever fail to grow and bloom satisfactorily. Complaint often comes from the far western states about these plants, and the reason is mostly due to the dry atmosphere and drying winds, which are ruinous to them unless avoided.

BLACK CALLA.

THE Black Calla, *Arum Sanctum*, will not bloom until the tubers are of large size, and not then unless well ripened.

It is as well to bed the tubers out in deep, rich, moist soil and mulch the surface during hot weather. Partial shade should be given if possible. Lift in autumn and

keep in a cool cellar till spring. As a blooming plant it is not generally satisfactory. A far more satisfactory plant, often sold as the Black Calla, is *Arum Italicum*, also *Arum Crinitum*. The latter is the larger and finer species, and is really



BLACK CALLA.

beautiful in both foliage and bloom, but the flower has an unpleasant odor when it first opens. This *Arum* is the one recommended for blooming in a dish or jar without giving it either water or earth. It is sure to bloom, and can be potted after the flower fades, or bedded out. As soon as the flower begins to open the plant is set out of the room for a day or two till the odor disappears, after which it is replaced, and will last for some days, a curiosity as well as a decoration.

Spanish Iris.—At the North this Iris should be given a sheltered situation and sandy soil, otherwise the bulbs are liable to rot or freeze out during winter. Where these conditions cannot be met keep the bulbs cool and dry till early garden-making time, then bed them out, and they will soon come into bloom. Set them three inches deep, in rich, porous soil where they will get sunshine most of the day. Set four inches apart the bulbs make a glorious display in a bed.

White Wandering Jew.—The Wandering Jew (*Tradescantia*) will sometimes develop branches almost or entirely white, and these, rooted and transferred to other soil and other places will often become green. There is some element of the soil either lacking or in abundance that in connection with the situation effects this variation. To retain it the cultivator should aim to provide the same conditions that produced it.

PANSIES.

FOR A SHADY PLACE.

PANSIES thrive in a deep, tenacious soil, and the little plants should be set six inches apart each way. If seedlings are started in July they will begin to bloom



Bed of Pansies.

late in autumn, and you will find buds or flowers upon the plants even in winter, while covered with a mantle of snow. In the spring, however, while the Hyacinths and Tulips are showing their colors the Pansies will appear in gorgeous array, and prove a worthy rival of bulbous beauty, both in delicacy, attractiveness and sweetness. Their use for spring bedding is not generally known and appreciated. For out-door winter and spring blooming in the South the seeds should be started in August or September.

Naming Plants.—Such things as Geraniums, Roses and Coleus cannot be named correctly as to variety by either fresh or pressed specimens; and neither wild nor cultivated flowers can be named, as a rule, from a leaf. Those who ask for names should give all the information possible about the plant, its roots, top, foliage, buds, flowers and fruit or seeds, time of blooming, common name if known, and all the particulars at their command, as well as a blooming branch, leaves and seeds if possible. The more information given, the more prompt and definite the reply.

Begonias.—All Begonias, whether fibrous or tuberous-rooted, delight in a loose fibrous loam, rich and well-drained; a situation shaded from the hot mid-day sun; a good supply of water while growing and blooming, and a moist, rather warm atmosphere. Given these conditions, they are generally satisfactory in growth and bloom. If the leaves curl, get spotted and fall, it is mostly due to a fungus. Gather all diseased leaves and burn them as fast as they appear, and give the soil a dressing of equal parts sulphur and lime.

Clematis Jackmanii.—This beautiful Clematis is of uncertain growth, and will often suddenly die in parts or entirely just while growing and blooming. The cause of this is not known. Various theories have been given, but none of them seem to have been proven as yet. It is a serious detriment to the popularity of one of the most handsome of the ornamental blooming hardy vines.

A NEW YORK sister wants to know what will grow and bloom along the shady side of the house. She had Nasturtiums the past season, but they produced only foliage. She should have used Lobb's Nasturtiums. They are not liable to bloom sparingly. For vines by the steps she should use *Adlumia cirrhosa*. This vine is exquisite in both foliage and flowers, and will grow all the better if the direct sunshine is excluded from it. The large-leaved *Caladium esculentum* would make a fine semi-tropical display of foliage along the house if kept well watered. It does better if the sun-rays do not reach it. The hardy *Begonia Evansiana* would grow and bloom well in the situation mentioned.



ADLUMIA CIRRHOSA.

Oxalis Bulbs after Blooming.—The bulbous *Oxalis* should be dried off after blooming and completing their growth, and the bulbs kept in a cool, dry place till planting or potting time. Such sorts as *Oxalis hirta rosea*, if lifted, should not be disturbed in the clump till the "mother" tuber dries up, as the bulbs continue to take nourishment from it and develop until matured. In the south the bulbous *Oxalis* is hardy, and if planted out, can be left undisturbed in the soil from year to year.

Acacia Julibrissin.—A lady in Ohio raised some plants from a packet of mixed seeds of *Acacia*, and one left out over winter proved hardy. It is probably *Acacia Julibrissin*, a beautiful *Acacia*-like tree blooming in August. It is a near relative of *Acacia lophantha*, and both are botanically classed as species of *Albizzia*.

Baby Rambler Rose.—When this fails to grow or bloom give it a warmer situation. It likes the protection of a wall or building, or fence, and if planted on the south side, where the sun has full access to it, and in the hottest weather well mulched with stable litter, it can hardly fail to grow and bloom satisfactorily.

Scented Geraniums.—The variegated sorts of Fern-leaf and Lemon Geraniums are rarely satisfactory in growth. They like plenty of sun and root room, and a rather warm, even temperature. Where these conditions cannot be given, it is as well to grow only the plain-leaved and more thrifty varieties.

EDITORIAL LETTER.



MY DEAR FRIENDS:—After an absence of three months in Europe I have the pleasure of once more greeting you by letter through the columns of the Magazine. The beautiful July morning I left La Park I was awakened by the delightful chorus of bird-song—Robins, Larks, Kingbirds and Song Sparrows all vying with each other in producing the sweetest strains. Soon the great day-god peeped over the distant eastern hills, and shed his bright, warm rays over the earth, making the dew-drops sparkle like diamonds among the graceful over-hanging branches of the big Elm, and glorifying with his effulgence the masses of color in the flower gardens near by. The perfume-laden morning zephyrs gently stirred the garden foliage, and all Nature seemed beautiful, joyous and happy. How auspicious the start! What pleasure was betokened for the trip by the grandeur of that summer morning. And yet, as I passed by the budding and blooming gardens and crossed over the bridge by the mill on my way to the station, I felt a shade of sadness stealing over me, for I realized that when I would return the glory of the summer at my cherished LaPark home would be gone. No more during the year would I hear the morning medley of my little feathered friends; no more would I revel in the beauty of foliage and flowers, and enjoy the fragrant summer breeze experienced that morning, until the Daffodils bloomed again, and the sweet songsters came back from their far southern home. Then, too, the farewell to the many dear friends associated with me in my work, and the uncertainty of life in a long voyage as a stranger in strange lands had an effect upon the more tender feelings and sentiments. Thus the morning merged into noon, and the noon into evening, when, alone, from the prow of the big ocean boat I watched the sun sink slowly and solemnly behind the wooded western hills.

Oh, the glory of that sunset! Until then the woods and fields and valleys that lined the beach were objects of attraction and beauty, and we occasionally passed some greeting steamboat or sailboat as we moved down the bay, guided by the big red buoys that danced gracefully on the troubled waters, as though endowed with life. But all of these scenes and objects, dear friends, were overshadowed and eclipsed by the grandeur of the setting sun. I was glad to be alone during those sacred moments. It is at such times that we get very near to Nature and her Author. The sweet reflection and soul communion, inspired by the sublime scene before me made an impression upon memory's

tablet that will never be erased as long as life shall last.

Far to the west the dark, tall pines loomed up along the shore, and here and there were green fields with grazing herds, and the cozy, white buildings of the thrifty farmer nestled among lovely shade and fruit trees. Back of this enchanting scene were the distant wooded hills, behind which the sun was sinking—slowly sinking, clear and full and red, giving to earth and sky a rich aurora glow, and forming a golden path over the placid waters. I looked and listened. I could, in fancy, see the cows coming down the shady lane from the woods, passing by the row of red-fruited cherry trees, to the farmer's barn, the tinkling bell leading the way. Lower and lower sank the sun, and dimmer and dimmer grew the landscape, mellow with the fading light of day. Stillness and sublime beauty reigned—reigned until the last glimmer of departing light, when great piles of clouds, like fleecy wool, rolled up from the horizon, tinged along the edge with a rich line of gold. I watched these until the deeper shadows merged into night, and I realized that another day was gone—forever gone. Ah, my friends, thus pass our days, one by one, one by one, until our life fades away—fades away into eternal—eternal night—perhaps I might better say *eternal day*.

But listen! Is that the clear, sweet tone of a syren bell, luring us away? Louder and more distinct the pleasing tinkle falls upon my ear, and I peer out into the darkness. There I see—not the syren bell, but the dancing light of the pilot buoy, a thing of blessing—and as it swings to and fro in its weird, watery little home, it calls to the mariner with its mellow-voiced bell "Keep off," "Keep off." We pass on, and the chime becomes feebler and feebler, until it dies away in the distance. I look back toward the beloved shore! All is darkness and solitude, save the eye-winking and blinking of the big light house, far away. In a little while even that has disappeared, and we are at sea. Good bye, my native land, good bye. You hold most that is near and dear to my heart. The sweetest joys of my life have been with you. Your mountains and meadows, your fields and forests I have roamed for many years, reveling in your pure, fragrant air, delighting in your insect, bird and animal life, and feasting on the bloom and beauty that spring from your varied soils. Ah, I love you, dear land, as I love no other. Good-bye. After a season I shall return to you with a happy greeting. I shall again rejoice as I tread the sweet, flower-bedecked paths of your mountain forests, and drink from the refreshing streams that ripple down your ferny ravines. Your charms can never be equalled in a foreign land, and in memory they will go with me wherever I go, and prove with me, as in past years, a source of supreme and never-ending joy.

Your Friend,
The Editor.

La Park, Pa., October 14, 1908.

PLANTS NAMED.

DEAR MR. EDITOR:—

I ENCLOSE the leaf and flower of a plant found at an old improvement, and mistook it for a Pæony and removed it to my yard. What is it? * * * I also send a twig from a tree that came up of its own accord in the yard. It is ten years old, and eight feet high, shaped like an Irish Juniper. Both myself and neighbors would like to know what it is.

Mrs. Lizzie Stiles.

Clearfield Co., Pa., May 7, 1908.

ANS.—The Pæony-like plant is *Helleborus viridis*,

HELLEBORUS VIRIDIS.

though not showy as a blooming plant. See engraving. * * * * The tree is an evergreen found native from New Brunswick southward, and is known as Red Cedar, *Juniperus Virginiana*. It is conical when young, but becomes cylindrical with age. It is desirable as an ornamental tree, and the wood is largely used in the manufacture of lead pencils.

The Bulb Bed.—See that the bulb bed is raised above the surface, that the soil is porous and rich, and that the sun has full access to every part of it. In a bed of heavy tenacious soil, without drainage, and to which the sun does not have access, it is useless to set Hyacinths, Tulips, Spanish Iris, and many other bulbs, and expect more than one season's display. If the summer should prove dry after the bulbs bloom, they may survive another year; but if wet, nearly all will rot and disappear.

Scale.—This pest is hard to eradicate from any plant of a tender nature without destroying its beauty. Some plants may be cut to the ground and the scale-infested tops burned. The new growth will then be free from the pest, by proper care. In some instances it is as well to discard the troubled plants and replace with clean and healthy ones. The cultivator must decide the course to pursue in treatment.



Twig Affected with Scale.

Spotted Callas.—These do well bedded out, whether in a sunny or shady place. If in a sunny place do not fail to mulch the bed with manure on the approach of summer. Thus treated every plant will produce one or more flowers, as well as handsomely spotted foliage.

SEEDS OF DOUBLE PETUNIAS.

SEEDS of Double Petunias are raised upon single flowers. The double flowers are without a pistil, but some of the stamens are imperfectly developed into petals, and produce enough pollen dust for the hybridizer's use. Single flowers are split open just before they expand, the stamens are clipped off, and with a little camel's hair brush covered with pollen from the double flowers the viscid tip of the pistils is brushed, leaving it yellow with the vitalizing dust. A string is then tied below the flower to indicate that it has been hybridized. In this way thousands of flowers are treated by the seed grower, and the seeds thus produced are more valuable than gold. These seeds do not have the vigorous vitality that the single-flowered Petunias naturally hybridized have, and they require more care in starting, but the skillful gardener can raise a good percentage of plants from the seeds, and more than one-fourth of the plants will produce beautiful double flowers. Double Petunias may be raised also from cuttings, but the plants are not so strong and healthy as seedlings, and the stock has to be renewed from seeds from time to time by the cultivator, in order to keep up a supply of healthy plants.

NOTE.—Figure 1 shows a single flower with the corolla clipped off. Figure 2 is the same with the anthers removed, showing the hybridized pistil. Figure 3 represents the little camel's hair brush used by the hybridizer.



Fig. 1. Fig. 2. Fig. 3.

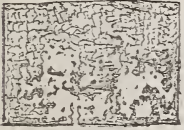
Packing Plants for Mailing.—

For mailing, remove the soil from the roots of the plant, bunch the plants to be put in one package, dip the roots in water, shake off the surplus water, and envelope the roots with a thin layer of sphagnum moss. Then roll in a piece of waxed paper, pressing the roots tightly together, and turning the paper below the roots up over, as you roll, to make it air-tight. Avoid wetting the foliage, or having it too compact. This done, enclose in a stiff piece of paste-board, making a sort of tube, which can be wrapped in paper, pasted and addressed. Turn the ends in, stamp and mail.

Paulownia Imperialis.—This handsome Japanese tree is propagated from seeds, and also from root and top cuttings. The seeds are not always reliable, as they must be fresh and well matured to grow. It is sometimes almost impossible to procure seeds of good vitality, and the cuttings must be taken at the proper time to start well. Avoid keeping the soil wet after sowing, or the seeds will rot. They require from thirty to forty days for germination. Seedlings grow rapidly, and soon become trees.

RAISING SEEDLINGS

IN RAISING seedlings the cultivator is sometimes troubled with sow-bugs, slugs, cut-worms and other nocturnal pests, which not only devour the softened sprouting seeds, but also plants that are somewhat developed. These have to be guarded against. But the worst enemy of seedlings is a fungus, which cuts the little stems close to the ground, thus destroying the plants. The plants are said to have "damped off," and whole patches



FUNGUS.

of seedlings will be destroyed by the fungus in a single night or day. The mischief is done by a little web which grows over the surface of the soil, attacking plants at the ground, and causing them to fall over, as if cut off. This web may be removed by running a knife blade through the soil and raising it, when threads, almost microscopic in character will adhere, and often bring up with them diminutive portions of earth. The best remedy is flowers of sulphur dusted evenly and thinly over the surface, at the same time admitting as much sunlight and air to the seed-bed or box as the little plants will bear. Soft-wooded plants, such as *Coleus*, *Balsam* and others placed as cuttings in the sand are sometimes affected by this fungus. A partial preventive will be found by mixing fine, hard-coal screenings in a limited quantity in the sand before the cuttings are inserted.

Transplanting Roses. — Hardy

Roses may be successfully transplanted at the north in the fall, if the soil is well firmed in setting, and then mulched with earth or coal-ashes to keep out severe frost. At the south the work can be done more successfully in the fall than at any other time. The best time to reset Roses at the north, however, is in early spring. They will then become well established during the summer, and will endure the severe winter without injury.

Seedling Roses.—Roses grown from seeds will bloom in from four months to four years, according to the species, soil, etc. As a rule it is better for amateurs to grow plants started from cuttings. Seeds are mostly tardy in starting, often lying dormant for a year or more after they are sown. New and choice varieties, however, are secured by sowing carefully hybridized seeds, and the stalk for grafting or budding, grown from seeds, is mostly vigorous and healthy.

Cosmos Enemy.—A boring grub, such as troubles *Zinnias* and *Dahlias*, sometimes attacks the *Cosmos* after well developed, eating out the heart of the stem and destroying the plant. The only remedy is to split the stem, remove the grub and bind up the wound. If unnoticed till the plant begins to die, even the best care may not save it.

STARTING FERNS AND BEGONIAS.

GET a broad, shallow pot, known as a Fern dish, into which place a layer an inch deep of broken crocks. Over this place some sphagnum moss, and then an inch layer of sand, and cover with an inch layer of coarse, sifted woods earth. Jar and press the soil till it is firm, then cover it with a half-inch layer of woods earth dried and sifted fine. After again



FERN DISH.

firming make shallow rows by pressing with a marker, and sow thinly the dust-like spores or seeds. Now moisten by setting the dish in a pan of water, allowing it to remain there until the soil is thoroughly penetrated with water; cover with a pane of glass and keep shaded, moist and rather warm until the little plants start. Never let the soil become dry. Never water from above. Examine the dish every day. No insects or worms should be in the soil. The best time for the amateur to start plants of Ferns and Begonias is in early spring. With a little skill a fine lot of these plants can be grown, and with almost as much ease as to grow *Petunias* or *Lobelias* from seeds.

Ampelopsis.—*Ampelopsis quinquefolia*, known as woodbine, which has digitate leaves with five leaflets, and which turns a rich scarlet in autumn, forming beautiful drapery for rocks and trees, is one of our best hardy vines. It grows in either sun or shade, is easily propagated from seeds or cuttings, and easily transplanted or established. *A. Veitchii* is the Boston Ivy, so popular in cities for covering walls of churches and dwellings. Both are beautiful and well worth growing.

Tulips.—When left for a number of years undisturbed in a bed, Tulips come to the surface, as the new bulbs are found in the ground a little higher than the mother bulb. For this reason, as well as because the bulbs become a dense clump, Tulips should be lifted and reset in a sunny place every third or fourth year. Resetting is necessary, too, in order that the soil may be porous, and allow of good drainage.

Tuberose and Carnations. —

These like plenty of sun, and while growing and blooming, a liberal supply of water. The *Carnation* plants may be bedded out early in spring, but *Tuberose* bulbs should not be bedded until the soil is warm and the weather settled in spring. Then set them five inches deep and eight inches apart.

Peachbloss Hibiscus.—This is simply a variety of Chinese *Hibiscus* with double, pink flowers. It will do well with the treatment given a *Geranium*.

ROSES FROM CUTTINGS.

THE best time to start Roses from cuttings is in summer, just after the plants have bloomed. Insert the cuttings, taken with a sharp knife, and made three or four inches long, in wet, sharp sand,



ROSE CUTTINGS IN SAND.

leaving only one eye above the surface. In inserting, use a taster, a little larger than the cutting, making a hole to the proper depth for the cutting. This will keep it from becoming injured in placing. The sand should be well firmed before the cuttings are inserted, and kept watered and free from draughts of air until the cuttings begin to callous and form roots. Pot them as soon as well rooted. Cuttings may also be taken late in fall and kept in soil or sand till spring, when they will be found calloused or rooted, ready for potting or transplanting.

Roses and Insects.—A Detroit lady who has just come to this country, complains that she cannot grow Roses because of the insects. She should try growing some other plants. Roses can be grown satisfactorily in most sections of this country, only by constant watchfulness and care. They are subject to mildew, black spot and rust, and to Aphids, Rose-bugs, Leaf-hoppers, slugs, the Carpenter Bee, Red Spider, Ants, Thrips and White flies. To keep all these enemies away requires knowledge and industry. In England, Holland, Belgium, Germany and France the summers are cool and moist, a condition unfavorable to insects, while favorable to the healthy growth and development of Roses. The plants have only to be set in a good, sunny bed and cultivated to produce fine flowers.

Pæonies.—When Pæonies become so densely compact by years of growth that the clumps will not bloom, they should be lifted in August, divided and reset. A deep, rich soil suits them, and the divided roots should be set with the crowns two or three inches beneath the surface, and two feet apart in rows three feet apart. Pæonies are perfectly hardy, and can be set out in autumn at anytime before the ground freezes up.

Viola Odorata.—Plants of this Violet, of which there are many varieties, can be readily raised by sowing the seeds out-doors late in the autumn. Germination will not take place until spring. If sowing is delayed till spring, the seeds may lie dormant for a year, then germinate freely.

BLACK SPOT.

HERE is a spotted Rose leaf from a subscriber at Omaha, Nebraska, with the following note:—

Mr. Editor:—Can you tell me what is the trouble with my Roses? Brown spots come on the leaves, then the leaves turn yellow and eventually drop off.—C.L.G., July 31, '08.

The foliage is affected with a disease known as Black Spot. It is a fungus, and is propagated by little spores. Gather all the leaves that drop and all that show the disease upon the plant and burn them. Then apply a dressing of lime and sulphur to the soil, stirring it into the surface, and with a cheese-cloth bag dust some of the same material over the healthy foliage. Admit as much sun and air to the plants as possible. The disease will soon run its course and disappear.



BLACK SPOT.

Grafting Roses.—Grafting of Roses should be attended to in the spring about the time the buds begin to swell. The operation is precisely like that of grafting the Apple or Pear. It is a good plan, however, to place a board or shingle close to and on the south side of the stock after grafting. This will keep the sun from evaporating the sap, and thus promote the setting and growth of the scion.

Tuberous Begonias.—When the foliage of Tuberous Begonias curls it is evidence that the plant is troubled by an insect, or else is affected by a fungus. The grower must be the judge, and treat it accordingly. If the leaves drop off or the buds blight it may be due to clogged drainage or watering too freely.

Euphorbia splendens.—This plant, sometimes called Crown of Thorns, is a winter-bloomer of easy culture. It rarely shows flowers before December, but when it begins to bloom, it continues the display till spring. The little waxy clusters of vermilion red flowers are freely produced and much admired.

Centranthus and Annual Gypsophila.—These are easily raised from seeds sown in the spring. They will begin to bloom during the summer, and keep up the display till after frost. They thrive in any good garden bed.

Moya or Wax Plant.—When this plant fails to bloom, give the soil a top dressing of pure bone fertilizer and let it become root-bound. A sunny situation and partial drought at times also promotes the setting of buds.

HER LOVE OF FLOWERS.

I WAS the owner of a ranch near Colorado Springs, and every Friday I would leave Denver, where I worked, and go to Colorado Springs, where I would get my horse and ride to the ranch.

I had noticed, more than once, a little cabin deep down in the valley, and all around the cabin were flowers in great profusion and of many varieties and colors. I did not know who lived there, for I never had any occasion to stop.



"A little cabin deep down in the valley."

One day as I passed I decided to stop and get a drink of water. I jumped off of my horse and walked up to the cabin and knocked at the door. To my surprise a woman of about 20 years opened the door, and I asked her for water.

"Yes, indeed," she said, as she handed me a cup of water. "I see you pass here quite often."

"Yes, I own the Cummings ranch," I replied.

"Oh!" she said.

"You have quite a fine garden here," I told her.

"Oh, I guess it's nothing extra, being as I have to lug water for it from the creek" she laughed. The creek she "lugged" water from was fully 200 yards across rocky ledges and ravines.

"It's the first day of June," she said, "and I would like to ask a favor of you."

"Go ahead," I replied.

"Well, would you get me some garden seeds at the Springs and bring them up the next time you pass?" she asked.

"Sure. I'll be up past here next Saturday." I said "Good-bye," and rode away.



"A woman of about 20 years opened the door,"

True to my word, I bought several packets of nice flower seeds, also some vegetable seeds for her. It was nearly noon when I reached

the cabin, got off my horse, and knocked at the cabin door.

I got no answer and again I knocked; and again, and again; still no answer. Then I walked around to the back of the cabin, and what met my eyes startled me, for there, by a bed of beautiful flowers was a grave. I walked

over and saw on a neatly carved headstone the inscription.

"MADELINE ELLAS,
Died June 3, 1907.
R. I. P."

I took the packages of seeds from my pocket and scattered their contents over the newly made grave, while I said with all the fervency of a Christian "May she rest in peace."



"There by a beautiful bed of flowers was a grave."

Raymond Humphreys.

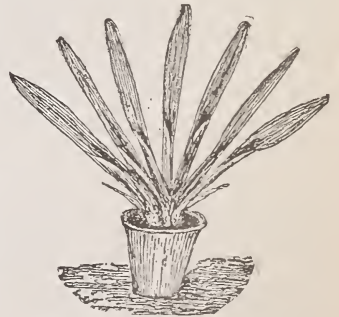
Denver, Col., 1423 Race St., May 5, 1908.

NOTE.—Mr. Park:—This story is true. The incident occurred last summer just as related. I gave the real name of the woman, for I feel that this story may recall to someone, who she was. The cabin and its contents have never been disturbed. Who buried her and put up the headstone I do not know. It might have been a case for a detective.—R. H.

PHORMIUM.

MR. EDITOR:—

CAN you tell me by this crude drawing the name of the plant represented? It is a perfect fan in shape. The tallest leaf is $1\frac{3}{4}$ inches long, by $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches wide, each new leaf coming from the centre, being longer and wider than the preceding one. The lower part of the leaf is closed, and the upper part is flat like the leaf of an Iris. The leaves are bright, glossy green, free from insects and diseases, and develop right along, summer and winter. To me it is an attractive, decorative window plant, whether it blooms or not. A stranger gave it to me, saying it came from England. Aunt Hope.



Wayne Co., Pa., Oct. 5, 1908.

ANS.—The drawing and description above given suits the plant known as Phormium Colensoi, often known as Flax Lily. Another species is P. Tenax, or New Zealand Flax, of which there are a number of varieties. P. Colensoi variegata is one of the most beautiful of window plants, easily grown and always attractive. It deserves to be more popular.—Ed.

Dianthus.—When plants of Dianthus decay at the roots and die, it is mostly because the soil is too wet. See that the bed is given sufficient drainage.

AN OLD GARDEN.

NEARLY 70 years ago this place was bought and the house built by a cousin of my father. To it he brought his flower-loving bride, and for her this garden was made, with its sunken paths, round, square and three-cornered beds, bordered with pink and yellow Primroses, and brown Polyanthus. A grape vine drapes the fence on the east side, a hedge of many-colored Hollyhocks, and Tiger, Candlestick and White Lilies, while the beds contained Daffodils, Bleeding Heart, Hyacinths, single and double.

In the spring of 1856 my father bought the place, and then my mother planted and cared for the garden until about twenty-five years



BLEEDING HEART.

ago, when I took charge. The beds are the same shape, and many of the flowers are in the same place they were from the first. We have the first flowers of the season. Nowhere in the town is there such a garden. Each bed is bordered with pink or yellow Primroses, purple Tea Violets, or brown Polyanthus, while they are filled to overflowing with Daffodils, Jonquils, Hyacinths, single, double, Grape and Feathered; Tulips, single and double in all colors; Lilies of the Valley, Bridal Wreath, Pride of the Village, Flowering Althea, Sweet Rocket, Clove and Grass Pinks, Baby's Breath, Lemon Lilies, the old Ribbon Grass, Sweet Williams, English Daisies, Perennial Peas, Larkspur, purple and white Day Lilies, Phlox, Fleur-de-lis, Bouncing Betty, Flowering Almonds, Pæonies, scarlet Lychnis, Southern-wood, and a host of other old-fashioned flowers, many of which having been here for over 60 years.

In front of the yard stands two immense Poplars that seem to point to that home above, where all our dear ones are watching and waiting for us, "when life's fitful fever is o'er."

Helen H. Lockey.

Livingston Co., N. Y., March 19, 1908.

Native Blue Violet.— Nothing is prettier for edging beds of Tulips or Hyacinths than the native blue Violet. They are also fine for edging beds of peppennials. The foliage is clean and attractive, while the dainty flowers, with their slight fragrance, are ever pleasing.

Reader.

Parke Co. Ind., Feb. 2, 1908.

FLOWERS IN ENGLAND.

ON a recent trip to England I was surprised at the lovely display of flowers. The Roses and Hardy Perennials are far ahead of anything we see in our States. A bank of pale pink Canterbury Bells with pink Sweet Williams in front, 300 feet, was wonderfully effective; and at the Shirley Nurseries, Southampton, I saw the blue Anchusa Italica, the finest blue flower grown, and Scarlet Pentstemons, Godetias, Gaillardias and Delphiniums, and Hardy Pinks in all colors, all marvels of beauty. It certainly is a land of flowers. If we could only encourage the working people here to take up with flowers it would be a blessing. Strange to say, in France the garden flowers did not half so good. * * * I had the pleasure of tasting some Logan Berries. Can the vines be bought here? The berries are good and big and fine-flavored.

F. A. Weston.

Brooklyn, N. Y., August 28, 1908.

NOTE.— Many flowers, as Godetias, Lobelias, etc., that delight in a cool, moist atmosphere, make a glorious display in Europe, while Cannas, Vinca rosea and Coleus that grow so well for us are not much used. Gaillardias, Delphiniums, Pentstemons, Canterbury Bells and Sweet Williams, however, do well with us, and would be appreciated more if they were more liberally planted. They are easily grown from seeds, and almost take care of themselves after well started.—Ed.

Shrubs.— We have a Weigelia and a Spirea prunifolia that were planted two feet apart when very small. They have attained quite a size now, and appear as one shrub. As they blossom at the same time in May, the effect is very beautiful. The delicate blush-rose of the Weigelia, and the snowy-whiteness of the Spirea, harmonize to perfection. So we have decided to let them stand as they are. They are more beautiful together than apart.

Lillie Ripley.

Erie, Pa., Sept. 29, 1908.

Try New Flowers.— How can you expect to feel an interest in flowers if you don't have some new varieties occasionally? Would you take pride in a dress if you were to wear it for twenty years? We accomplish much by giving flowers to the sick, but how much more interesting would they be if something new or novel could be sometimes presented? Don't fail to try some novelties in flowers each season.

K. T.

Barry Co., Mich., Oct. 4, 1908.

Trumpet Vine.— The Trumpet Vine is one of the most splendid vines in cultivation. The plants should, if planted near a porch or building, be trained so as not to touch the siding, for as they grow they push in between the siding, thus losing the branch, and it will soon destroy a frame building. But they cling naturally to brick or stone, like the Ivy.

Lillie Ripley.

Erie, Pa., Sept. 29, 1908.

SOME WORTHY CLIMBERS.

A WORTHY rival to the splendid Clematis Jackmanii, and a perpetual bloomer throughout the summer, is Cobæa Scandens, a vine the merits of which are too little known. It is an annual of rapid growth, and makes an elegant screen for the veranda. The flowers are large, bell-shaped, and peculiar in that they are shaded green when first open, gradually changing to a rich purple. Seeds should be planted edge down in moist soil and watered very sparingly if at all, until the young plants start to grow. If planted in a pot, this will make a nice winter bloomer.



CYPRESS VINE.

No climber more dainty in foliage exists than the Cypress Vine, the starry blossoms of which add the finishing touch to the exquisite delicacy of the finely cut leaves. The blossoms are five-pointed stars, scarlet, rose and white, the former being the handsomest variety. While this plant is too delicate to form heavy screens, there are little wigwams, sailboats, and many other charming designs in which it may be used. Soak the seeds over night in warm water before they are planted, to hasten germination.

Thunbergia is a rapid grower, and the black-eyed blossoms are sure to attract. This plant should be started in a hot-bed and transplanted into rich garden soil when the weather becomes warm. The seeds start slowly at first, but they more than atone for this by the alacrity with which the plants grow when well started. It is valuable as a climber, trailer, or pegged down in beds.

Bessie L. Putnam.

Conneaut Lake, Pa., March 31, 1908.

Improving Cosmos. — I believe much improvement can be made in annuals and perennials by gathering the seeds from the flowers and stalks which have developed superior qualities. Accordingly, in looking through my large bed of Early Dwarf Cosmos, I found several nine-petaled flowers, a less number with ten, and two flowers with eleven petals, three more than the normal number. These two latter sorts I marked by tying a string around their flower stems. I thus can improve these already beautiful flowers, for has it not been said by the unerring One, "each shall produce after its kind". Thus may I not hope in a few years a double-flowered Cosmos, and if I do, it will be a "daisy".

V. Devanny.

Edgewater, Colo., Aug. 28, 1908.

FANCY-LEAVED CALADIUMS.

THE Fancy-leaved Caladiums bend themselves admiringly in making up rustic baskets, and window boxes, and for greenhouse decoration during the summer months. The tubers start tardily, and the plants are of slow growth, but a collection of the beautiful things well developed, fully repays the care and watering.

A rustic basket filled with these Caladiums in variety, with some plants of Asparagus plumosus, is beautiful. Do not use wire baskets, as they dry out rapidly, and the Caladiums must be kept very moist. Do not grow the Caladiums singly. They show up far better in every way if from three to five tubers are grown near together in one receptacle. In grouping the plants use such colors as give a pleasing contrast. There are many varieties now grown, embracing leaves from white to scarlet, many handsomely spotted, veined, marbled and blotched. With some thirty different sorts, one can soon arrange baskets and rustic pots to please the most exacting, and after a fair trial, the flower-lover will never be without a collection of the plants.

L. Jarnagin.

Knox Co., Tenn., May 22, 1908.

Oriental Poppy. — Yes, I am the Oriental Poppy! I rejoice in such names as Duke, Prince and Monarch, and I am indeed a gay Prince. When I am about, all other flowers look pale with envy. I make the children shout for joy, and the older folks stare. What, though some hysterical person has declared that I am the personification of sin? My robe is of scarlet and my heart black as night, and I have slain thousands with the subtle poison which I always carry, but the lady of the garden has decreed that I should brighten a corner of her garden for two weeks during the summer, and I couldn't disappoint a lady, you know.

K. T.

Perennial Phlox. — A few summers ago, I was privileged to see a garden composed almost entirely of varieties of Perennial Phlox. They were all in blossom, and in the zenith of their beauty. They were a revelation to me. I had never dreamed there were so many beautiful colors and combinations of this flower. The clusters were immense, I cannot describe them. They were as superior to the common lavender and white, seen in old-fashioned gardens, as a choice Rose is to a common field Rose.

Lillie Ripley.

Erie, Pa., Sept. 1908.

Soliel d'Or Rose. — This rose is described as "large, full, globular flowers, varying in color from gold and orange to reddish-gold, shaded with Nasturtium-red", and this is an accurate description. If you procure one plant of it, you will want a dozen.

Bradford Co., Pa.

J. E. Allen.

FLORAL POETRY.

NOVEMBER.

The winds are chill and skies are drear,
In this, the old age of the year;
But listen! From the leafless trees
The cheery calls of chickadees;
And see how softly falls the snow
Down on the waiting life below.
These withered leaves, where spring's fair flowers
Sleep safe from cold through wintry hours;
And though its days be dark, remember
The recompenses of November.

Mrs. E. W. Mace.

York Co., Maine, July 31, 1908.

WINTER.

The harvest moon has blest the golden fruit,
Maturing in the sunbeams' waning heat;
The voice of autumn birds has long been mute,
Earth's autumn paintings, seared, are at our feet.

The cold-winged winds have blown the herald horn,
Of aged winter with his ice-mailed train,
Foretold him with full many a frosty morn,
Bleak storms of sleet, and bitter, frozen rain.

And now from off his laden, hoary locks,
His treasured gifts of crystal sheen pours down,
Till hills and valleys, trees and rugged rocks,
Wear shinningly a snow-embroidered gown.

But still my yearning goes out into thought,
And prays that life's chill winter be as pure,
Its snows prove spotless robes with pearls inbrought,
Its garnered harvests heaven's own bliss insure.
Tioga Co., New York. Harriet J. Sutton.

OUT IN THE GARDEN.

Out in the garden, late last night,
Were Pansy faces, gold and white,
And each was a little gnome.
"Dear little girl," I heard them say,
"Dear little girl, if you'll come this way
We'll show you the fairies' home!"

Out in the garden, green and tall,
Lilac leaned from the old, gray wall
A prince, in a bloom of lavender;
"Dear little girl," I heard him say,
"Dear little girl, will she come this way
And let me play with her?"

Out in the garden, clear and sweet,
The Hyacinths about my feet
Were ringing their bells of blue;
"Dear little girl," I heard them say,
"Dear little girl, if you'll come this way,
We'll grant a wish for you!"

Knox Co., Tenn. James Noel Wiley

THE GOOD REWARD.

Always cheerful, always happy,
Let us be from day to day,
For this life will soon be over,
And our spirits fly away.

Let's remember smiles and kindness
Smooth life's way for many a heart,
And the sweets of earth we gather
When we strive to do our part.

St. Louis, Missouri. Albert E. Vassar.

THE HALLOWE'EN.

Within the glen a country maid
Waits for her sweetheart true,
Through pleasant fields her steps have strayed,
O'er pastures gemmed with dew,
And softly now she calls his name,
Then waits his voice to hear,
For mystic charms are hers to claim,
The Hallowe'en is near.

A lone owl cries from forest tree
Above those rocks so grand,
She turns like frightened deer to flee,
Yet blushing can but stand,
For where the waters softly glide
A manly form is seen,
And she will be a promised bride
Ere falls the Hallowe'en.

Ruth Raymond.

Tioga Co., New York, July 21, 1908.

THE WHIP-POOR-WILL.

Why dost thou come at set of sun,
Those pensive words to say?
Why whip poor Will, what has he done,
And who is Will, I pray?



Why come from leafy, shaded hill,
A suppliant at my door?
Why ask of me to whip poor Will,
And is Will really poor?

If poverty is his crime, let mirth
From out his heart be driven;
That is the deadliest sin on earth,
And never is forgiven.

Harrison Carr.

Chilton Co., Alabama, Aug. 11, 1908.

CHILDREN PLAYING IN THE SAND.

Very busy are the children,
On a long, hot summer day;
Building ships with banners flying,
Armies ready for the fray.
Continents and isles and mountains,
Oceans deep, volcanoes grand;
Rivers running through the meadows,
Making wonders in the sand.

We are playing, like these children,
Life is like a summer day;
We are gathering shells and mosses,
Till our heads are turning gray.
We, like they, are dreaming,
Building mighty castles, high and grand,
To be washed away by breakers,
As they dash upon the sand.

Woe to all the idle builders!
Christ the corner-stone should be.
Fity-framed, together groweth,
Temples holy, God will see.
Ah, we grieve o'er scattered playthings;
Vanished are the schemes we've planned,
Nothing's left of all our treasures,
Which we builded in the sand.

Mrs. Ida Pender Pierson.

Winslow, Texas, Sept. 24, 1908.

THE DWARF COSMOS.

Floating seemingly in air,
On a stem so light and fair,
Nodding in the gentle breeze
To the honey-sucking bees.
In a dress of modest graces,
Draped in foliage—model laces
And in colors, brightest green
Robes to fit a royal queen,
Stands our garden Cosmos glowing,
In its radiant beauty growing.

Pinks may be as bright and sweet,
Roses, too, likewise so neat;
Other plants arrayed in bloom
May excel in their perfume;
But there's none, I must confess,
That are handsomer in dress,
Nor so lasting in their place,
Grouped within a china vase,
As the dwarf Cosmos I know,
Native of New Mexico.

Jefferson Co., Colorado.

V. Deviny.

A SUMMER DAY.

Upon the breath of noonday comes
The fragrance of Nasturtiums;
And sweet Carnations fill the air
With perfume, oh, so rich and rare.
From summer splendor of the hills
The birds pour forth such dreamy trills;
That every nook and valley ring
With music, as we hear them sing.

The fleecy clouds cast shadows o'er
The verdant tints of Nature's floor;
And now and then a butterfly
Sails on the breeze that hastens by,
To feast upon the sweetness of
The flowers—tokens of God's love,
While blades of charming meadow grass
Nod, as the fragrant zephyrs pass.

Elk Co., Pa., July 9, 1908.

Ella J. Rothrock.

A THOUGHT.

How nice to see ones pleasing air,
The kindly look and cheerful heart.
'Twill make a cloudy day seem fair
And oft for joy, a tear will start.
And there is found no greater wealth,
Search where you may, o'er land and sea
Than cheerfulness and perfect health
And that's the kind of wealth for me.

Don't give me gold if it will bring
A great desire for getting more,
For it would prove the meanest thing,
To make me slave for golden ore.
I'd rather far contented be,
With the little God did send my way,
Than have a billion and not free
From the many frets, to cloud the day.

Albert E. Vassar.

St. Louis, Missouri, April 5, 1908.

MY CROCUS BED.

Come and watch my Crocus bed
When the sun is shining,
Every flower lifts its head,
No thought of repining;
Every cup is lifted up
For the gold the sun doth drop.

Come and watch my Crocus bed
When the rain clouds lower,
Not a drop can reach the heart
Of a single flower,
For each one is clasping tight
Every ray of sunshine bright.

Caroline Brooks Woodruff.

Buchanan Co., Iowa.

MARIGOLDS.

Bitter—unwholesome as stagnant brooks,
Secure on the summer's tottering throne,
Sage-green stalks with a slender crown,
Of golden bubbles blown.

Part of the drouth and summer heat,
The burden of years and burned-out fire,
The Marigold blooms stand straight and tall,
The wage of a servant's hire.

Part of the dream that goes for love,
Part of the coin which the soul holds fast,
In lieu of the tenderer, sweeter thing,
The love that could not last.

No flattering fragrance of dead romance,
No sickening scent of a buried dream,
But bitter—unwholesome as wormwood and gall,
The yellow Marigold's gleam.

Helen Tompkins.

Prescott, Arkansas, Sept. 19, 1908.

FAITH AND FLOWERS.

There are flowers that bloom when springtime is
calling,
And then when summer's at hand;
There are blossoms we know when snowflakes are
falling,
And winter is silent and grand;
There are beautiful treasures of upland and glade,
Ferns, mosses, and autumn leaves too,
The year is a gold-mine of treasures that fade
To make place for others, quite new,
The time and the sunshine each day for us all,
And God over all in the blue;
And life passeth by, we would not recall,
For we pass to another, quite new.

Nellie Fiske Hackett.

Valley Junction, Wis., Sept. 7, 1908.

TO A FIELD DAISY.

Fair flower, thou art the lover's oracle!
Oft in the field by some secluded spot,
He strays to wreck thy humble form,
Uttering his "loves me" and his "loves me not,"
Plucking thy petals slowly, one by one,
A desecration he would scorn for self,
Then casts thee down to wither in the sun,
But the wrecked semblance of thy former self.
Ah, what a weight of human destiny
Dost thou control. For in each petal there
The trembling desecration seems to see,
The answer or rejection of each prayer;
And the decision of his future lot
Lies in that "loves me" or that "loves me not."

Frances Claude Alton.

Watertown, N. Y., July 6, 1908.

TRUSTING.

How fair the night, how clear the day
For those who trust, believe and pray,
Who never doubt though grief and pain
Are theirs to share; they shall remain
Steadfast in faith, their feet secure
Upon the rock that shall endure.

How fair the days, how fair the years,
For them God wipes away all tears
And smiling still they press along
Life's rugged way, a cheerful song
Upon their lips, they seek and find
The Father, loving, true and kind.

Ruth Raymond.

Tioga Co., New York, July 21, 1908.



STARTING PERENNIALS.

UPON the whole, I feel well repaid for my summer's work among the flowers, although you would not think so from a casual glance, for I have very few flowers at present, but I have, so to speak, been storing up beauty for future years. While others have been breaking their back carrying water to keep their annuals alive this summer, for we have had awful hot weather and not much rain, I built a hot-bed with a cloth top, such as I described a while ago in the Magazine, and planted perennial seeds. July was a perfect time for their germination, just day after day of glaring hot sunshine and warm nights, and as a result I have as many plants as I can use and some besides. Of the *Aquilegia* I got thirty-five plants from one package of the mixed seeds; *Anemone* and *Adenophora*, about thirty each; *Geum*, *Scabiosa*, *Saponaria*, and *Perennial Poppy*, about twenty each; *Iceland Poppy* and *Perennial Pea*, fifteen each; and of the *Michauxia* a countless number, possibly two hundred; of the *Delphinium* I have but two, but that is my fault, as some died for lack of water. I planted five varieties of seeds from which I did not get a plant, and I can't see why I didn't, as the conditions were almost perfect. The *Scabiosas* came up in three days; *Poppies* and *Michauxias*, in less than ten; and some did not show a plant in less than one month.

My flower bed or garden is forty feet long and eight feet wide, situated at one side of the yard and in sight of the kitchen window (an essential point), and my idea is to place these and other flowers on this plot so as to have a continual display of flowers all summer and fall. The plants which I have mentioned, I selected from the general list in the back of Mr. Park's Seed Catalogue, and the descriptions were so brief that I fear I shall make some odd arrangements of plants. For example, there is the *Geum*, with red flowers, blooming a long time. Shall I place it with the tall or short plants? Alas, even the plant lady has trials.

Kate Terpening.

Barry Co., Mich., Sept. 25, 1908.

Caladium Esculentum.—My elephant-ear *Caladium* measures forty and one half inches by twenty-eight. Every one says it is the largest they have ever seen. There is still another leaf coming out which will be larger.

Mrs. N. E. Payne.

Gregg Co., Tex., Aug. 3, 1908.

TO MARK THE HOURS.

Twas a lovely thought to mark the hours
As they floated in light away,
By the opening and the folding flowers
That laugh to the summer's day.

Mrs. Hemans.

Goatsbeard, opens at 2 o'clock a. m., closes at 12, noon.

Purslane, opens at 9 o'clock a. m., closes at 1 p. m.

Scarlet Pimpernell, opens at 7 o'clock a. m. closes at 2 p. m.

Corn Marigold, opens at 9 o'clock a. m., closes at 3 p. m.

White Water Lily, opens at 8 o'clock a. m. closes at 4 p. m.

Evening Primrose, opens at 6 o'clock p. m., closes at 6 a. m.

Wild Succory, opens at 4 o'clock a. m., closes at 8 p. m.

Hawkweed, opens at 3 o'clock a. m., closes at 10 a. m.

Creeping Mallow, opens at 11 a. m. closes at 12 midnight.

Mirabilis, opens at 4 o'clock p. m.

Evening Campion, opens at 5 o'clock p. m.

Oxtongue, opens at 1 o'clock a. m.

Iceland Poppy, opens at 5 o'clock a. m.

Sow Thistle, closes at 7 o'clock p. m.

Greater Bindweed, closes at 10 o'clock p. m.

B. W. D.

Kane Co., Ill.

About Bouquets.—Many a bouquet is spoiled in the making, because the whole flower garden is represented in that bouquet. Two kinds of flowers are usually enough, and even then they must harmonize so nicely that each helps to bring out new beauty in the other. Put more green and less color in next time, and note the difference. Pick *Phlox Drumondii* with short stems, and arrange loosely in a glass butter-dish. That makes a pretty table decoration. A bouquet I have remembered for years after others were forgotten, was composed of one large, single yellow Tulip and several sprays of blue *Linum Perenne*.

K. T.

Barry Co., Mich., Sept. 25, 1908.

Sweet Violets.—Sweet Violets should be planted in rich ground in a shady situation, with a top layer of woods-earth, and covered with leaves in the fall. They blossom in the spring, and again in the fall. A few plants will soon cover quite a space, if not disturbed. They are propagated by runners, which should be detached and planted where desired. They require no care when once established.

Lillie Ripley.

Erie, Pa., Sept. 29, 1908.

Lilacs.—The old-fashioned Lilacs are always beautiful and should be held in equal honor with the finest shrubs. They should be planted wherever shrubbery is grown.

Lillie Ripley.

Erie, Pa., Sept. 29, 1908.

FLOWER-LOVING JANETTE.

FARMER MULLER and wife lived on a farm far from town. They had two daughters, Jane, the oldest, and Janette, five years younger. Janette had large, black eyes, dark hair, a very fair face, and was good-natured. To know Janette was to love her. She always had a kind word for all, old or young. But Jane was very proud, and was very jealous-natured, and took great delight in doing things to torment Janette.

Janette—how she did love flowers! She would go to the woods and gather flowers for hours at a time. Her mother was too busy to keep flowers, and her father said there was no money in them. But Janette's father, seeing her great love for them, told her she could have a small corner of the garden, as nothing but weeds would grow there. The soil was very poor, and Janette knew it; but she knew where to get good chipdirt and plenty of fine manure. So she manured the patch liberally and Aunt Margaret's boy came and spaded it for her. Then she put on more chipdirt, raked it all up fine, and made three fine beds out of her little weed patch. Then she told



"A small corner in the garden where nothing but weeds would grow."

her mother her plans about her garden. Her mother said "flowers are nice, but remember you must not neglect your work for flowers." Jane, sitting near, heard Janette and her mother talking, and said she didn't see why her father was so foolish as to humor Janette, by giving her that corner for flowers. Why, all Janette can talk about or think about now is flowers. What will it be when she has flowers of her own.

The next day was a cloudy day, and Janette took a basket and went to Aunt Margaret's for her first flowers with a happy heart. Aunt Margaret gave her roots of white and pink Phlox, Ragged Robin, Sweet Mary, Aquilegia and Hollyhocks. Janette took them home and planted them in her little garden. It rained that night and all the next day, so every flower grew. Some of the other neighbors saw Janette's little flower corner, and they too, gave her flowers to put in it. So, it wasn't long until she had her garden full. Some would give her slips of house plants. These she put in old tin cans, and how they did grow. How happy Janette was, one

morning, when she went out to her garden and saw her Hollyhocks in bloom, some double and some single; and how sad she was one day when she went to her garden and saw Jane breaking off her flowers. Jane would never look at Janette's flowers, unless she wanted to go to a party; then she would break off all the nicest flowers. Janette never lost heart in her flowers. If they were broken off she would say, "I guess I will just grow some more of them."

One day a lady called and was telling Janette's mother about a poor man being very sick. He lived about a mile away from Janette's home. Janette asked her mother if she could not take him some flowers. Jane laughed at her and said, "who ever heard of taking flowers to a man." But Janette's mother said she could take them. So, she took him a large handful of her finest flowers. When she gave them to him he said, "God bless you, Janette, and always remember, child, it is lots better to give your flowers to the sick than to plant them on our graves when we are dead." Those flowers made a happy smile on that sick man's face every time he looked at them. Janette took him flowers the next week. He was too weak to talk, but he gave her a glad look, and would let his eyes rest on them so lovingly. He died that night.

Janette always remembered that sick man's words, and gave and sent her flowers to the sick.

Janette now has a home of her own, and has lots of flowers—annuals and perennials of many different kinds. She has a good, true husband and four loving children, and is a happy woman now, surrounded with love and flowers.

Some call Janette the flower woman, because she sends so many flowers to the sick and to the old people, and they all love her for it.

So, fathers and mothers, if your girls or boys want a flower bed, let them have it, and you all will be happier for it. Just see how much pleasure Janette got out of an old, weedy corner.

Aunt Violette.

Crawford Co., Ohio., Aug. 2, 1908.

ONE LITTLE DAY.

O, take me back, back to the past!
This torture cannot longer last!
Just give to me one little day
Of past years which have flown away!

I only ask a day or so;
'Twould cool this burning heart I know!
And I would give earth's wealth of gold
For just one little day of old!

If past scenes I again could see,
'Twould be a paradise to me;
But, oh, it seems so sadly strange
That things must undergo a change.

O, just to see those days again!
I'd prize them more than I did then;
Just give to me one little day
Of past years which have flown away!

Elia J Rothrock.

Elk Co., Penn'a., May 24, 1908.

SUPERB MAMMOTH CROCUSES.



Price, 2 cents each, 15 cents for the collection of 10 bulbs: 3 collections, 30 bulbs, 40 cents; 6 collections, 60 bulbs, 75 cents.

I offer a very superior class of Crocuses for cultivation in dishes, or for bedding. The bulbs are all of great size, and each one will throw up several splendid flowers, exquisite in form and color, and exceedingly showy and beautiful. In planting fill a glass dish half full with clear silver sand, cover the bulbs to half their thickness, allowing the upper part to protrude above the surface, and apply water till it stands in the dish as high as the base of the bulbs. Set away in a dark place till roots form, then bring to a cool room. The flowers will shortly appear, making a brilliant and showy display. Every bulb of these Mammoth Crocuses becomes a bouquet in itself, or continues in bloom for some time, throwing up a number of flowers in succession, often several at a time.

Golden King, six inches high; bears from six to eight large, open, golden yellow flowers, the color deep and rich.

Charles Dickens, light blue, each bulb throwing up five or six fine flowers, opening in daytime, but closing at night.

Giant Purple, has a very large bulb, and develops six or eight splendid purple flowers; extra fine.

King of the Blues, not as dark as the preceding, but producing from eight to ten immense flowers of superb form.

Queen Victoria, pure white, each bulb displaying from six to eight large and beautiful flowers; pretty, light green foliage.

Young Frau, exquisite snow-white, each bulb developing a cluster of eight to ten superb, large flowers.

Minerva, lovely white with faint blush shading, the flowers large and opening well, but a few days later than others.

Blue Flag, each bulb bears from six to eight very large, handsome flowers, fine white with black-blue stripes; extra fine.

Gloriosa, lavender blue, shaded and striped with dark purple; large and very free-blooming.

Striped Queen, immense, snow-white, with distinct blue mid-rib; each bulb bears a cluster of six or eight flowers.

For bedding purposes I will mail 100 of these splendid Crocuses for \$1.00. Address
GEO. W. PARK, La Park, Penn'a.

THE ORCHID-FLOWERING IRIS.

I OFFER a splendid named collection of the beautiful Orchid-flowering Spanish Iris. They are hardy and gorgeous in groups or beds, blooming for several weeks in spring. The list embraces all the fine colors. Price, the ten fine bulbs, with MAGAZINE on trial, only 10 cents. Or, for bedding purposes, 100 (10 collections) 80 cents. I wish all my friends would try these Iris. Their beauty will prove a revelation to many flower-lovers.

Azure, Philomela, exquisite.

Blue, Darling, finest dark blue.

Yellow, Crysolora, large, bright,

Pure white, Blanche Superb, fine.

Soft white, Blanchard, pretty.

Blue-Bronze, Stellata, blue and gold.

Orange, Prince of Orange, dark bronzy.

Porcelaine, Louise, white, shaded blue.

Gold Bronze, Thunderbolt, showy.

Variegated, Formosa, lilac and olive.



Send Me Ten Trial Magazine subscriptions upon this offer, and I will send you a collection free, including three extra hardy bulbs, my selection. See your friends at once and make up a club.

Address

GEO. W. PARK, La Park, Penn'a.

BULBS FOR WINTER BLOOMING.



The following bulbs are indispensable for winter-blooming. Get them, pot them and place in a dark closet to root, then bring to the window as wanted. They will bloom shortly after being brought to the light.

Chinese Sacred Lilies, fine imported bulbs. Each 8 cents, per dozen 80 cents.

Paper White Narcissus, imported from France. Each 2 cts, per doz. 20 cts.

Double Roman Narcissus, very fine imported. Each 2 cts, per doz. 20 cts.

White Roman Hyacinths, fine bulbs, sure to bloom. Each 4 cts, per doz. 40 cts.

Italian Hyacinths, (Roman) blue, very fine bulbs. Each 4 cts, per doz. 40 cts.

Italian Hyacinths, Pink, very fine bulbs. Each 4 cts, per doz. 40 cts.

Lilium Harrisii, fine bulbs 15 cents; selected, 20 cents.

These winter-blooming bulbs can be mailed promptly, as they are received from growers earlier than other bulbs. Anybody can grow them.

GEO. W. PARK, La Park, Penn'a.

ROEMER'S GIANT PRIZE PANSIES.

Pansies started this month bloom well in the early spring. The plants are thus strong, very free-blooming, and make a gorgeous bed, rivaling Tulips in spring months. I offer the choicest seeds in mixture, each mixture 5 cents per packet, or the ten packets with the Magazine a year for only 25 cents.

White, in variety, pure white, white with eye, white with spots, and white shaded.

Red in variety, bright red, rosy red, rich scarlet, red with tints and shadings.

Blue in variety, dark blue, dark violet, rich purple, and blue margined.

Black in variety, coal black, blue black, jet black, dark violet, purplish black.

Yellow in variety, rich pure yellow, golden yellow, yellow with eye, shaded.

Striped and Flaked, all distinctly striped and flaked and splashed.

Blotched and Spotted, pure ground colors, peculiar and odd markings.

Shaded and Margined, margined and rayed in pretty tints and shades.

Azure in variety, light blue, ultramarine, azure, lavender, blue and marked.

Mixed Colors in variety, superb shades and markings, many rare varieties.

Address,

GEO. W. PARK, La Park, Pa.

Choice Bermuda Bulbs.

Extra Bermuda Freesias, large bulbs, sure to bloom, one bulb 2 cents, one dozen bulbs 20 cents, 100 bulbs \$1.25.

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Matlock, Iowa, June 7, 1908.

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M. M. Andrews.

New Haven Co., Conn., Sept. 25, 1908.

Cedar-Bird.—Mr. Park:—Among the window plants which I set out was a most respectable Asparagus Sprengerii. It was a mass of tough yellow fronds or branches. I discovered that something had been pruning it, and watching saw that it was a Cedar-bird or Waxwing. It stood eight feet from the open window, and he certainly was having a hard time of it. He was joined by his mate to whom he left the work, and flying into the room alighted on my table about a foot from me, cocked his head on one side, and looking up at me chirped away at a great rate. I thought he said "What are you going to do to help?" His mate called to him and he flew out to work, while I got shears and cut up the twigs for them. They used nearly all in building their nest in a nearby tree, and I was repaid by an almost ceaseless song, which was, if anything, worse than a Sparrow's chirp. They are very handsome birds, and I never saw them on the ground, which may account for their spotless appearance. But deliver me from their song.

J. G. L.

Oswego Co., N. Y., Sept. 27, 1908.

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Elkins, W. Va., April 4, 1907.

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Mrs. L. A. Pollock.

Hohenwald, Tenn., R. 3, Box 29, Aug. 20, 1908.

Mr. Park:—I have read your Magazine silently for 10 years, but must speak out now. Such an idea for a Christian woman to say she detests Geraniums! Why, I am shocked, stunned, and paralyzed to hear it. I have lots of flowers, but the Geranium is my favorite, my pet, my chum. I picked 26 clusters from one plant yesterday to take to church—a plant I raised from a 3-cent packet of seeds. I love plants and flowers, and hate no living creature. Despise cats? No, bless the felines, this old maid loves everyone. And if any hate Geraniums just send the plants to me. The undersigned will take care of them all.

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Springfield, Mo., August 8, 1908.

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When planting them my little son George was with me, and was much pleased, for he loved flowers. And he asked me if I was planting them to take to the cemetery, as he remembered I had been taking flowers there since two years ago, when we laid there the remains of our 17-years old son. I did not know then that on June 16th dear little George, 8½ years old, would be laid beside him. Then in August my dear old mother, 77 years old, was also laid away. So my finest flowers go to the cemetery, and when I feel lonesome I go out and busy myself with my flowers. My husband and daughter enjoy flowers also, and I am pleased to have so many of them. I raised from seeds 35 hardy Primroses and 15 tender ones this season, and will have a fine lot of the flowers next season. Mrs. M. Steinert.

Sandusky Co., Ohio, August 24, 1908.

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Houston, Texas, Sept. 7, 1908.

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Mr. Park:—Your Magazine is "much in little," and I enjoy everything in it. D. L. Tracy.
Littleton, Col., August 8, 1908.

Mr. Park:—My mother has taken your Magazine for the last fifteen years, and both of us enjoy reading it very much. Daisy Dobbs.
Harrison Co., Miss., Sept. 4, 1908.

Mr. Park:—I am a greatly interested reader of your little Magazine, and read every word of it—even the advertisements. Mrs. G. Bradley.
Scott Co., Kansas, Sept. 11, 1908.

Mr. Park:—I have been a subscriber to your Magazine for 12 years, and appreciate it so much that I wait impatiently for the numbers to come. Mrs. Hannah Hess.

Carroll Co., Md., October 5, 1908.

Mr. Park:—I have taken your Magazine since 1874, and do not wish to do without it now.

Mrs. A. J. Brown.

Twinsburg, Ohio, March 5, 1908.

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Mrs. J. McGriffin.

Guerneville, Cal., July 8, 1908.

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Ialosa, Oklahoma, May 20, 1908.

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Scott Co., Ill., April 10, 1908.

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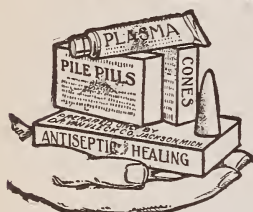
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thea, and one of the herbaceous crimson-eye
species, and neither of them bloom. How shall
I treat them.—C. E. R., Ohio.

ANS.—Dig about the plants and stir some bone dust
into the surface soil. Avoid nitrogenous fertilizers.
Give all the sun possible.—Ed.

Fuchsia.—Mr. Park:—I had bad luck with
my Fuchsia. It grew well and was full of buds,
when I noticed something was the matter. The
buds didn't open and fell off, and I found the
under side of the leaves covered with very small
mites. Every leaf and bud fell off. I placed
tobacco stems around the plant, and poured some
lime-water over the soil, but the plant died. How
should I have treated it?—Mrs. McP., Texas.

ANS.—The plant was attacked by what is generally
known as red spider, though it is often black or
brown than red. It is difficult to dislodge when the
plant is badly infested, and the best thing to do in
such cases is to cut the tops back and remove all the
leaves that remain, then sponge the stems with hot
suds. The new shoots that issue will be free from the
pest. If plants are but slightly troubled the under
part of the leaves can be sponged or syringed with hot
suds to eradicate the pest. It is well to syringe the
foliage of healthy Fuchsias often to keep the spiders
from becoming troublesome. The spiders do not like
moisture.

Spider Flower.—Mr. Editor:—Please let me
know in your next Magazine the name of the
enclosed flower.—Mrs. A. E., New York.

ANS.—It is a species of Cleome, probably the spe-
cies known as C. Speciosissima.—Ed.

Cape Jasmine.—Mr. Editor:—Since the
pear blight is common my Cape Jasmynes are
affected by leaves and branches turning black and
dying. Also millions of little white flies infest
the plants during the spring. What treatment
should I give the plants?—C. M. B., Georgia.

ANS.—Cut away and burn the diseased portions of
the plants as soon as they show. To get rid of the
flies stir some wood soot into the soil and give a thor-
ough watering with weak lime water almost to the
boiling point. If the drainage is not free repot the
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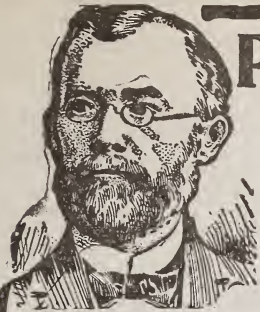
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ROSE.—Will some one tell us how to treat the Baby Rambler to have it bloom in the house, and state if it is hardy?—**Mrs. Wm. T.**, Clearfield Co., Penn'a.

GNATS.—What shall I do when gnats bother my house plants?—**Mrs. E. S.**, Kansas.

BROWN FLIES.—A brown fly that resembles the common house fly, but smaller, sucks the juices from the stalks of my Imperial Centaureas, Carnations and Chrysanthemums. I have sprinkled the plants with insect powder, but the pest seems to thrive upon it. The flies quickly leave when the plant is disturbed. How can I get rid of them?—**E. Ruton**, Indiana.

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OUR POETS.

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When night came down with tender grace.

This line could scarcely be more beautiful than as it now stands; and if one possesses an atom of appreciation or reciprocal feeling in his make-up, surely such an expression as the above cannot fail to impress upon the mind of the reader its peculiar beauty (which in this instance consists of tranquility). Could a single word in this line be changed without materially deducting from its charm? Its very strength lies in its softness, and every word used is in consideration of but one effect—repose.

Now let us look at the following line, which occurs in the third stanza:

With opening day the message came.

From the epithet here used, it is obvious that the writer has "the day" pictured in her mind as a flower; and who but a masterful poet or poetess could conceive of the auroral beauties of the dawn as an expanding bloom—a lotus or a rose—with its trembling petals in the full ecstasy of opening?

The pitying stars at length grew pale.

This is another of those beautiful thoughts which have earned the title of "felicities" by a well-known contemporary and critic. It is in such mental tapestries as these that true poetry lies,—not in the rhyme. A certain number of musical sounds placed at regular intervals does not make poetry. Any school-boy can rhyme lines. Poetry consists rather in the beauty of expression, the word-painting, the imagery—that is, mental vision. But alas! how very few possess the charmed gift which enables us to dispose in written words such marvelous and tender thoughts as move only the mind of a poet! Such a gift is indubitably of the upper ether.

I once heard Mr. Wm. Thompson—who wrote "Moon-Mist"—say that he believed the true God to be an idealization or center of some sublime and wonderful poetic instinct too boundless for man's understanding, and that our Future Home is in reality a vast rose-land, where all are angels, endowed not only with immortality, but with the precious gift as well. A beautiful thought, truly, and one that only a poet could utter!

Hereafter let us bestow more praise upon "those who claim the holy Muse as mate", and now and then give mention to some particular effort which most appeals to our personality—to our perception of the aesthetic or our imagination. All tastes and inclinations do not lie parallel, thank goodness! What may vastly appeal to one, may be of but scant interest to another. Be our admiration and high esteem as they may, let us discuss the poets—our poets—more freely, and dwell at some length on those indefinable things which their wonderful depth of vision imparts to us. What will be our most talked of poem for 1908.

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Roy Haliman.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl 11 years old, and both Grandma and I love the Magazine, and watch for its coming. I am fond of reading, and love the Children's Corner. I have no brothers or sisters, but many dolls, and a life-like Teddy Bear which I take to bed with me.

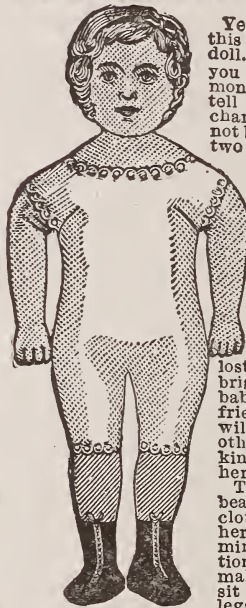
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DR. T. F. WILLIAMS,
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